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"Deliberately Unfriendly."

The torpedoing of the White Star
liner Arabic on Thursday morning
of last week by a German submarine
is Germany's answer to the note of
July 18 which stated that any fur-
ther violations of the rights of non-
combatants on the high seas would
be considered by this government as
"deliberately unfriendly." The Ara-
bic was western bound, laden with
passengers and freight and carried
munitions of war or other contra-
band goods. It was torpedoed with-
out warning and the 423 persons on
board were left to save themselves
as best they might in the eleven min-
utes that elapsed before the vessel
sank. Among these people were
twenty-five noncombatant American
citizens, two of whom apparently
were drowned.

President Wilson is reported to be
shocked at the news of this latest
outrage by the Germans. We hardly
see how he can be. It will be re-
membered that we stated at the
time this note was sent that the pre-
sident had good grounds for treating
what Germany had already done to
American ships and citizens as "de-
liberately unfriendly" and we have
expressed the fear that the failure
of the president to so consider them
might encourage further insult from
the German government. The fact is
the president of the United States
has been trying to feed an enraged
elephant peanuts, in other words
acting the part of a small boy sight-
seer when the iron rod of a fearless
keeper was demanded. We most
sincerely believe that America should
take a united stand, entirely free
from politics, in dealing with this
serious foreign situation, but it is
not wise to endorse the idea of let-
ting the baby play with matches in
a powder magazine. That is all
President Wilson has done up to
date. He has failed to present the
demands of this country forcibly
enough to prevent repeated insult
and outrage.

The situation as we view it, is
that Germany is deliberately des-
troying vessels on the high seas with-
out giving warning or offering any
opportunity for noncombatant or
neutral citizens to care for them-
selves. It is deliberately murder-
ing unarmed men, women and chil-
dren regardless of their nationality.
It is repeatedly violating all rules of
modern warfare and all rights of
neutral people. It has simply resorted
to piracy in its efforts to crush a
belligerent that is strong upon the
sea.

The question before the world
(for the attacks without regard to
the neutrality of the victims has
made it a world wide question) is,
will it allow this wholesale murder
and piracy to become an established
practice upon the high seas? Can
the world afford to allow two or a
half dozen nations at war with each
other to jeopardize the legitimate
enterprise of a neutral nation's com-
merce or to assassinate its citizens
whenever they are aboard merchant
vessels? Upon these questions rest
all the peace and security of the fu-
ture. If Germany is allowed to con-
quer its enemies with such methods
it will be in position to continue this
practice whenever it is to its advan-
tage to do so. If this German idea
is hopelessly crushed there is hope
that the whole world will not be
trampled upon during the next in-
ternational dog fight.

Loyal Americans should first pull
their baby president and his matches
away from the powder magazine and
instruct him they have more useful
work for him to do. Then they
should insist that this country do its
necessary part in defending and es-
tablishing the rights and safety of
neutrals and noncombatants. If mili-
tary action is necessary it must pre-
pare itself for such action. Germany
has repeatedly shown herself "delib-
erately unfriendly" to the United
States and must be treated accord-
ingly. Until recent years it would not
dared to have done so, when men
like Cleveland, McKinley, Roosevelt

and Taft were at the head of the
government Germany respected
Americans and their rights. By his
cowardly and uncertain course with
Mexico and Germany, President Wil-
son has destroyed this respect and
jeopardized the peace and security of
all American citizens. Can he "put
away childish things" and give his
country in its hour of disgrace and
peril the loyal service of firm and
courageous manhood? If he can the
future of America is safe, if he can-
not we are facing continued insult
and sooner or later open attack by
an enemy we are ill prepared to meet.

Vermonters Should Act.

We call attention elsewhere to the
meeting to be held in Concord, N. H.,
to promote the cause of agriculture
until all of the arable land of that
state shall be under cultivation. Fol-
lowing the announcement of this
meeting the Manchester Union edito-
rially announces that a large farm in
Exeter has been recently sold to par-
ties from South Bend, Ind., and that
the register of deeds has many in-
quiries from Michigan and elsewhere
in the West for lands in Rocking-
ham county, New Hampshire. After
stating that these inquiries are par-
tially from people who have gone
from New England and want to get
back and that the interest in New
Hampshire farms is the result of the
"better farming" campaign now go-
ing forward in New Hampshire it
says:—

The old notion, too commonly har-
bored among the uninitiated, that New
Hampshire was a region of barren
rocks surrounded by Arctic atmos-
phere, is happily dissipated. The
products of New Hampshire soil
have spoken for themselves in un-
mistakable terms wherever they have
been dispensed, and into such places
as they and their fame have not yet
found their way, it behooves us to
spread the gospel of New Hamp-
shire agriculture. By so doing, we
shall benefit not only our state and
ourselves, but all who heed the propa-
ganda and come to New Hamp-
shire.

The Union speaks the truth about
New Hampshire and we are glad to
see the awakening that is taking
place in that state. We simply wish
to call the attention of Vermonters
to this movement and suggest they
too should attempt to interest the
western prospects in Vermont farms.
While New Hampshire farms are
good, we think that a tour through
that state and then Vermont would
convince anyone that Vermont farm-
ing land is better and inquiry would
show it could be secured for less
money. New Hampshire people for
years worked together and have de-
veloped in that state a great sum-
mer business while Vermont with
quite as attractive scenery and nat-
ural beauties remained idle and un-
developed. It should not make the
same mistake in its agricultural in-
terests. Intelligent cooperation in
making its agricultural advantages
known could not fail to bring new
farming blood into the state and in-
crease its wealth materially. We
believe that 100 farms in Caledonia
county could be bought at reason-
able figures within a week if the buy-
ers could be induced to come here
and look at them. This would cost
something for advertising and show-
ing the property but it can be done
and if it was done would be profit-
able to the farmers and a benefit to
the state.

Urges Cowardly Waiting.

The Springfield Republican in en-
dorsing the statement of Secretary
of State Lansing that no step will be
taken "until all the facts are known"
concerning the sinking of the Ara-
bic says:

The government will assume such
a tremendous responsibility if it
breaks off normal intercourse with
Germany that it must be absolutely
sure of its ground before taking the
least action of an irrevocable nature.
Whatever facts may be still unknown
concerning the sinking of the Arabic
should be gathered. The facts al-
ready reported by the captain and
passengers of the ship must be suit-
ably verified. Nor can our govern-
ment proceed to determine its course
until the official German version of
the incident is before it.

It is possible that the present as-
pect of the case may be modified by
fuller information than is now avail-
able. Was the Arabic under convoy?
On this important point more light

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needs to be thrown, inasmuch as a
merchantman under convoy is en-
titled only to the same treatment its
protector receives as a vessel of war.
If, in short, there were circumstances
still unreported which would relieve
the act of the German submarine of
the quality of deliberate unfriendli-
ness to the United States, as the pre-
sident has defined it, they must be
made known; and, in order that they
may become known, ample time
should be taken for scrupulously
careful and patient inquiry.

We would respectfully ask the Re-
publican and the administration if it
is the duty of the United States to
ferret out an excuse for the Ger-
mans who deliberately attacked with-
out warning an unarmed merchant
steamer and sent two American citi-
zens to their grave? The probabili-
ties are that while the administra-
tion is "waiting" for the Germans to
hatch up an excuse other Americans
will be murdered. It is not the duty
of America at this time to aid the
Germans to an apology or to "wait"
and let its citizens be massacred by
pirates. Germany should be almighty
quick in getting an explanation and
apology to us if she has any to offer.
If she fails to do it the president
should immediately break off all dip-
lomatic relations with them. No
further benefit to America can be
secured by cowardly inaction and any
advice like the above tends to sink
us still further in disgrace. The
American people are not cowards and
should not be talked to as such.

The Lynching of Frank

Regarding the lynching of Leo M.
Frank, we quite agree with the
Chattanooga Times which says in
part:—

"The lynching of Leo M. Frank
was the crowning disgrace, the over-
whelming dishonor of such of the
officials and the people of Georgia
as have neglected means and meth-
ods to preserve the lives of the pris-
oners of the state, and of all classes
who have used their baleful influ-
ence, in season and out of season, in
stirring up and perpetuating the
feeling against Frank."

While Georgia's good name must
suffer as the result of all these
things, and while the influence of
this crowning disgrace upon the ad-
ministration of justice in the state
will be recorded as an illustration of
savagery as great as any charged in
the war in Europe, after all, the
whole people of the commonwealth
must not be classed together as
blame-worthy. Georgia has a splendid
citizenship—men who are men of
honor and women who are women of
virtue. Such men and such women
are not to be held responsible for any
future of the state's history in con-
nection with the Frank case. Rather
they deserve the sympathy of the
country and of the world."

A conference of more than a hun-
dred of the leading citizens of New
Hampshire has been called for Au-
gust 30 at Concord to discuss plans
for the agricultural development of
New Hampshire. The newspapers
say that it is hoped a campaign will
be started then that will not end un-
til every acre of arable land in New
Hampshire is under cultivation and
every farm supporting a prosperous
and contented family. This is a
worthy object but one that cannot be
accomplished very soon. This, how-
ever, should not discourage the
people from making a start.

Justice Charles E. Hughes has re-
fused to permit his name to be con-
sidered as a presidential candidate in
1916, according to a statement by
former Governor Stokes of New Jer-
sey. Justice Hughes also advised Mr.
Stokes that if he were nominated he
would not accept. In other words, Mr.
Stokes said, Justice Hughes has put
at rest for all time the question of
considering his name in connection
with the presidential candidacy or
nomination.

It looks as though there may be
competition when the term of United
States Senator C. S. Page expires.
The names of Congressman F. L.
Greene and Secretary of State Guy
W. Bailey have already been men-
tioned and the Rutland News says
that at the proper time the name of
"a native Vermonter, a graduate of
Vermont educational institutions, a
man who has not been an office hold-
er but who is thoroughly in touch
with affairs, state and National, and
who would in due course become
such a leader in the senate, if he be-
came a member of it, as were Pro-
ctor, Edmunds and Morrill," will be
presented in due time. Vermont-

ers undoubtedly will begin to try to
fit this description to some west sid-
er. We wonder if Editor Fairchild
was trying to describe Frank C.
Partridge.

The Burlington Free Press quotes
what the Caledonian said about
Horace F. Graham for the governor-
ship in a recent issue and says in
connection with it:—"If there is one
man in the state who knows where
that economy so generally demanded
by taxpayers can be exer-
cised without seriously inter-
fering with the welfare of
the commonwealth Horace F. Gra-
ham knows and he has the back-
bone to say so, whenever opportu-
nity presents itself." This is true and
it looks as though the public is be-
ginning to look to one man for the
next governor of Vermont. Like the
Caledonian, the Free Press does not
know Mr. Graham's mind in the mat-
ter but Vermonters will soon ask for
an answer from Mr. Graham.

We note that Gov. Gates in com-
pany with business men from Stowe
visited Smugglers Notch on Satur-
day last, to inspect the route of a
proposed state highway through
this most scenic cut in the Green
Mountains. Vermont possesses here
a tremendous scenic asset if an
automobile road could be opened
through it. It might cost \$20,000
to do this but it would become one
of the most popular spots for auto-
lists to visit within the state. We wish
the towns of Stowe and Cambridge
might be induced to meet one-half
the cost of this road and the state
pay the other half.

We note that the village trustees
of Morrisville have asked the state's
attorney to not press the cases
against the autoists who failed to
blow their horns while making a cer-
tain corner in that village. There
is no question that the affair has
been given so much publicity that
the law will be observed in that vil-
lage in the future and since no dam-
age was done on the day in question
it would seem wiser not to impose
the fines on so many respectable
citizens of the state.

The Rutland Herald thinks the
best way to handle the Mexican situ-
ation is for the United States to
open food depots in Mexico to feed
all Mexicans who would disarm. That
would work much the same as drop-
ping a fine beef steak into a den of
hyenas to be served to their keeper.
The Mexican bandits have already
got all there is to eat in that country
and it would seem foolish for this
country to send them any more.

EAST BARNET

Pleasant Old Home Day Observed at
Joe's Brook School House.

(Mrs. C. W. Tilton, correspondent.)
Old Home Day was observed at
Joe's Brook school house August 19.
There was a picnic dinner at noon.
The program for the afternoon was
music by Nelson Richards of St.
Johnsbury, reading by Mrs. B. E.
Doyle of St. Johnsbury, speech by
Rev. Mr. Reynolds of Passumpsic, re-
marks by Mrs. B. Webster of China
and Professor Milo Gibson, and a let-
ter read from Mr. Mason of Massa-
chusetts, former teacher at Joe's
Brook school. There was a vote tak-
ing to have a picnic another year and
the officers were chosen: President,
Martin Gibson; secretary, Annie
Warden; treasurer, Carrie Somers;
committees, Annie Warden, Milo Gib-
son, Ernest Randall, Mabel Randall,
Carrie Somers, W. J. McLam. There
were about 150 who registered in
the guest book as scholars and vis-
itors.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Welch spent a
few days in St. Johnsbury last week.
They are now visiting Mrs. George
Morse in Littleton, N. H.
Hamilton Reiser of Somerville,
Mass., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. B.
Gammell and Mr. and Mrs. W. J.
McGill.

Mrs. W. J. McGill and the Misses
Jessie and Portia McGill visited Mrs.
Frank McGill at Passumpsic Satur-
day.

Charles Wormwood cut his hand
very badly last week.
Guy Colby of Post Mills spent the
week-end with Miss Portia McGill.
Mrs. Frank Marshall of Lowell,
Mass., visited her father, Frank
Sproat, and Mrs. Fred Lindsay last
week.

Charles Ames of Wheelock visited
his mother, Mrs. L. C. Ames part of
last week.
Miss Jessie McGill and Miss Portia
McGill spent one day last week in
St. Johnsbury with Mrs. P. B. Hartwell.
George Gammell of Orleans is
spending a few days with his parents,
Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Gammell.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Nelson en-
joyed an automobile trip through the
mountains Friday.

Mrs. Helen Gammell and son, Ed-
win, who have been visiting in Lyn-
donville, returned to her home Sat-
urday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Kendall and
Mrs. Edna Kendall spent Saturday
in Barnet.

Mrs. L. C. Ames and grand son,
Percy Smith, spent one day in St.
Johnsbury recently.

R. B. Gammell spent the week-end
in Danville.

Mrs. Orpha McDowell is visiting in
Boltonville.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Capron and
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Newell spent
Sunday in Peacham.

Samuel Richardson and Frank
Bailey visited in Lyndon Saturday.
Herbert Wormwood and Harold
Gammell have been camping at War-
den's pond for several days. Charles



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Elliott and Henry Gammell were with
them Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. L. C. Ames and Percy Smith
are visiting in Burke.

Merle Kendall has a position in the
Lyndonville garage.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Harding of
Monroe visited Mrs. Paddelford Sat-
urday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Tilton returned
from their trip to St. Albans and
Swanton Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Kendall re-
turned from Sulphur Springs Mon-
day. C. T. Kendall returned to his
work Monday.

Ben Cooper spent Sunday with
friends in Orleans.

Miss Belle Gammell and Miss Mar-
ion Quimby sang at an entertainment
at North Monroe Friday evening.

Men came Saturday to install a
crossing bell here near the station.

Miss Helena Dennison of Hartford,
Conn., is visiting Mrs. E. B. Wild.

Nelson Amell spent several days
last week in Briggs with his son, Nel-
son Amell, Jr.

Mrs. Gertrude Walker and Flo-
rence Will visited in St. Johnsbury
Wednesday.

Mrs. Hattie Woodard of St. Johns-
bury visited Mrs. Gertrude Walker
Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Blandin and Mr.
and Mrs. P. A. Newman have been
visiting Alvah Blandin, Jr., and wife
at Coaticook, Que., taking the trip
in Mr. Newman's automobile.

Superintendent Harvey Burbank
attended the superintendents' con-
vention at Montpelier last week.

J. G. Roy spent the week-end with
Mrs. J. G. Roy and son Wendall who
are camping at Lake Morey.

Rev. Mr. Laird of West Barnet
preached an excellent sermon in ex-
change with Rev. W. C. Clark.

RYEGATE

Larke Party from Town Visited the
Tower on Blue Mountain Sat-
urday Evening.

(Mrs. C. A. McKiraham, correspond-
ent.)

About 30 from here climbed Blue
mountain Saturday evening to watch
the fires on the tops of the White
Mountains. The Appalachian Moun-
tain club planned to burn red fires
at nine o'clock on the peaks of all
the mountains of the region, cele-
brating the opening of the new Mt.
Washington House. As the rain in-
terfered with this plan the crowd on
Blue mountain built bonfires, lit a few
red fires, sang a number of songs,
and inspected the new tower that has
just been completed by the local sec-
tion of the Green Mountain club. The
tower is of logs, 40 feet in height,
strongly put together and ironed to
a granite ledge on the highest point
of the mountain. From the platform
on the top on a clear day, an excel-
lent view can be had, not only of all
the White mountains, but also of a
large part of the Green mountain
range, due to the unique position of
Blue mountain standing out alone
between the two ranges. The trail
up the mountain is about completed,
having been blazed, brushed out and
posted by some of the members of
the clubs as they could spare the
time. This completes another link in
the system of trails that is being
built along the ranges of Vermont
and New Hampshire, the trail up
Blue mountain acting as the connect-
ing link between the two.

Mrs. Wesson Sargent is away for a
two weeks' vacation and rest.

Grace McLam was home over Sun-
day from Camp Winneshewauka
where she has a position. She re-
turned Monday with Elsie Walker of
Pittsburg.

Quite a number from here went to
Craftsbury the first of the week to
attend the annual Presbyterian con-
vention of the Vermont Presbytery
of the United Presbyterian church.

President J. Knox Montgomery of
Muskingum College of Ohio gave one
of his best lectures, "The Making of
a Man," before a good audience in
the vestry of the church Friday eve-
ning.

President Montgomery and
family are touring New England, in-
cluding on their trip the conference
at Northfield, Mass., and the conven-
tion at East Craftsbury.

SHEFFIELD

(Mrs. D. S. Roberts, correspondent.)
George L. Giffin and family from

Waterbury, Conn., are visiting at S.
A. Jones' and A. J. Giffin's.

W. G. Millmore and wife and
daughter and Mrs. Peter Lavery of
Sweetsburg, Que., are visiting at W.
G. Hanscom's.

Schools in town begin Monday, Au-
gust 30.

Sarah Gray is working at the
boarding hall on the camp ground.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Jones are in
Woodstock for a few days.

Mrs. Edna Quimby spent several
days last week at West Burke.

Oliver Dwyer and son are in New-
port on a visit.

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